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POLITICAL COOPERATION -- NAMIBIA, TURKISH EMBARGO

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1. SUMMARY: MEETING ON THE MARGINS OF THE JULY  
24 COUNCIL, EC NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS DISCUSSED WITHIN  
POLITICAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK NAMIBIA, TURKEY,  
AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR FIRMS OPERATING IN SOUTH  
AFRICA. COMMON POSITIONS WERE REACHED ON NAMIBIA AND  
TURKEY. APPARENTLY NO DECISIONS WERE REACHED DURING  
THE BRIEF MENTION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT, BUT WE  
HAVE NO INFORMATION ON THE TENOR OF THE DISCUSSION.  
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END SUMMARY.

2. NAMIBIA  
CONSISTENT WITH EC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER CHEYSSON'S  
RECENT STATEMENT THAT AN INDEPENDENT NAMIBIA  
MIGHT WELL ACCEDE TO THE LOME CONVENTION, THE EC  
FOREIGN MINISTERS ON JULY 24 EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT

FOR THE WESTERN BACKED SETTLEMENT IN NAMIBIA AND  
DECLARED THAT THE EC AND ITS MEMBER STATES ARE READY  
TO RENDER ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. FULL TEXT OF DECLARATION  
FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT

DECLARATION ON NAMIBIA BY THE FOREIGN MINSITERS OF THE  
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY  
HAVING FREQUENTLY EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR A  
PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE NAMIBIAN SITUATION BASED ON  
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 385, THE FOREIGN  
MINISTERS OF THE NINE COUNTRIES OF THE EUROPEAN  
COMMUNITY, MEETING IN BRUSSELS, NOTED WITH SATISFACTION  
THAT THE PROPOSAL OF THE FIVE WESTERN SECURITY COUNCIL  
MEMBERS FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THE NAMIBIAN SITUATION  
HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY ALL PARTIES CONCERNED. THE WAY  
HAS THUS BEEN OPENED TO AN EARLY INTERNATIONALLY  
ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION OF ONE OF THE MAJOR PROBLEMS IN  
SOUTHERN AFRICA. THIS IS A PROOF THAT PEACEFUL  
SOLUTIONS TO SUCH PROBLEMS ARE POSSIBLE. IT HAS  
BEEN DONE IN CLOSE COOPERATION AND WITH THE ACTIVE  
SUPPORT OF FRONTLINE STATES.

THE NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS DECLARE THAT, SHOULD AN  
INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTED INDEPENDENT NAMIBIA SO  
REQUEST, THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND ITS MEMBER STATES  
ARE PREPARED TO RENDER THEIR SUPPORT AS FAR AS POSSIBLE  
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TO PROMOTE THE ECONOMIC WELL BEING OF THE COUNTRY.  
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3. TURKEY

AT GERMAN INITIATIVE AND IN THE HOPES OF INFLUENCING  
THE U.S. SENATE VOTE LATER THAT DAY ON THE TURKISH  
ARMS EMBARGO, THE FOREIGN MINISTERS AGREED TO INFORM  
WASHINGTON OF THEIR COMMON POSITION THAT LIFTING THE  
EMBARGO WOULD BE HELPFUL (REF A). A MORE DETAILED  
STATEMENT AS PROPOSED BY THE GERMANS, ICYLUING  
FAVORABLE COMMENT ON THE RECENT VAROSHA PROPOSALS  
FROM DENKTASH AND THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT, WAS NOT  
ACCEPTABLE TO THE BRITISH AND FRENCH (REFS B AND C).  
THE COUNCIL HAD HOPED ITS MESSAGE ON THE EMBARGO  
COULD BE CONFIDENTIALLY CONVEYED TO SECRETARY VANCE,  
BUT IT LEAKED RAPIDLY AND FRG MINISTER OF STATE  
VON DOHNANYI WAS BARRAGED WITH QUESTIONS AT HIS POST-  
COUNCIL PRESS CONFERENCE. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE  
EUROPEAN POSITION, AND GERMANY'S IN PARTICULAR, IN  
FAVOR OF LIFTING THE EMBARGO, WAS WELL KNOWN. HE  
DECLINED, HOWEVER, TO REVEAL THE TEXT OF THE EC'S  
COMMUNICATION TO WASHINTON, SAYING, IN A CLEAR REFERENCE

TO THE SENATE VOTE, THAT IT WAS UP TO WASHINGTON TO  
MAKE REFERENCE TO THE EC OPINION AS IT SAW FIT. IN  
RESPONSE TO A QUESTION CONCERNING NON-NATO MEMBER  
IRELAND AND ITS ROLE IN THE DISCUSSION, VON  
DOHNANYI STRESSED THAT THE DISCUSSION WAS HELD IN  
THE CONTEXT OF THE COMMUNITY, NOT NATO, AND THAT THE  
RESULT WAS A COMMON OPINION OF THE NINE. HINTON

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